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PASS TREASURY FOR ZINMAN/LOHMANN

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: PROJECT SITE VISITS BY TREASURY/CONGRESSIONAL
DELEGATION

REF: STATE 059797

1. MERIDA AND CANCUN BOTH HAVE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS
CAPABLE OF HANDLING VIRTUALLY ANY AIRCRAFT. WE UNDER-
STAND THAT ADEQUATE HOTEL FACILITIES SHOULD BE AVAILABLE
IN BOTH CITIES. BUS TRANSPORTATION WOULD BE AVAILABLE.

2. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE IN REFTEL APPEARS TO BE ACCEPTABLE.
HURRICANE SEASON DOES NOT BEGIN UNTIL JUNE. LOCAL IDB
REPRESENTATIVE TELLS US THAT THERE IS A POSSIBILITY
THAT IDB EXECUTIVE BOARD WILL VISIT YUCATAN AT ROUGHLY
THE SAME TIME AND IT WOULD BE BETTER THAT VISITS DO NOT
OVERLAP. HE SAID HE WAS GOING TO CONTACT PORGES ON THIS.

3. WHILE GOM WOULD PROBABLY CONCUR IN VISIT, IT MAY BE
MORE ACCEPTABLE POLITICALLY IF VISIT MADE UNDER AUSPICES
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OF IDB. WOULD SUGGEST THEREFORE THAT SUBJECT BE DISCUSSED

ASAP WITH IDB MANAGEMENT. WE HAVE DISCUSSED IT BRIEFLY WITH IDB REPRESENTATIVE WHO DOES NOT FORESEE ANY PROBLEM AND ALFREDO PHILLIPS AT BANK OF MEXICO WHO EXPRESSED VIEW REPORTED ABOVE , STATING THAT IDB HAD RIGHT TO VISIT ANY OF ITS PROJECTS BUT THAT MEMBER GOVERNMENTS DID NOT NECESSARILY ENJOY VISITATION RIGHTS.

4. GOM WILL BE VIRTUALLY CLOSED DOWN FROM BENITO JUAREZ BIRTHDAY (MARCH 21) THROUGH EASTER, SO IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO FIRM UP SCHEDULE BY MARCH 28. OUR PRELIMINARY VIEWS ARE THAT MERIDA WATER SUPPLY AND CANCUN TOURISM PROJECTS WOULD BE WORTHWHILE VISITING. GROUP MAY PREFER TO FLY FROM CANCUN TO MERIDA AND VISIT OTHER PROJECTS FROM ONE OR THE OTHER PLACE. IT TAKES A MINIMUM OF FOUR HOURS TO GO FROM CANCUN TO MERIDA BY ROAD, AND TRAVEL AFTER SUN-DOWN IS NOT RECOMMENDED. APPARENTLY, THERE ARE SOME IDB-FEEDER ROADS ALONG MERIDA-CANCUN HIGHWAY. WE ARE NOT YET SURE OF EXACT LOCATION OF IRRIGATION PROJECTS.
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